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Indiana's Geographically Targeted Development Programs: Certified Technology Parks

Introduction

The Certified Technology Park (CTP) program was established by P.L. 192-2002(ss) [IC 36-7-32] to facilitate the location of businesses involved in high technology activity to Indiana and significant job creation by these businesses. Pursuant to the statutes authorizing the CTP program, high technology business activity suitable for a CTP includes activities involving the following:

- Advanced computing;
- 2. Advanced materials;
- 3. Biotechnology;
- 4. Electronic device technology;
- 5. Engineering or laboratory testing related to product development;
- 6. Technology relating to the assessment or prevention of health or environmental threats;
- 7. Medical device technology;
- 8. Product research and development; and
- 9. Advanced vehicles technology.

A CTP must be proposed by a county, municipality, or township with the CTP comprising territory under the jurisdiction of the local unit's redevelopment commission. In addition, a CTP proposed by a local unit must be designated by the Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC). CTP designation must be predicated on the business activity and level of job creation by the business. CTP designation also may be predicated on the level of support or commitment of certain facilities, services, activities, or funding from:

- 1. An institution of higher education;
- 2. A private, research-based institute; or
- 3. A military research and development or testing facility on an active U.S. military base or other military installation.

A local unit operating a CTP is authorized to make various public improvements in the CTP, such as infrastructure improvements and construction of various facilities, including business incubator facilities. To fund the public improvements, territory in a CTP may be designated as a TIF area. In addition, CTPs are allowed to capture Sales Tax and Income Tax revenue.

Until 2005, the Indiana Department of Commerce approved, reviewed, and monitored the CTP program.

Locations

Since the inception of the program, 19 CTPs have been designated, with the first established in Anderson. Table 1 provides a list of Indiana's CTPs along with the designation and recertification dates of each

Table 1: Certified Technology Park Locations, Designation Years, and Recertification Dates.

Location	Year of Designation	Recertification Date	Location	Year of Designation	Recertification Date	
Anderson	2003	2007	Kokomo	2004	2009	
Bloomington	2005	Pending	Muncie	2004	2009	
Columbus	2004	2009	Richmond	2004	2009	
Crown Point	2006	Pending	Scottsburg	2004	2009	
Evansville	2004	2009	Shelbyville	2003	2007	
Fort Wayne	2003	2009	South Bend	2009	N/A	
Hammond	2003	2009	Terre Haute	2004	2009	
Indianapolis	2003	2008	West Gate at Crane Naval Warfare Ctr.	2006	Pending	
Indianapolis	2005	Pending	West Lafayette	2003	2007	
Jeffersonville	2005	Pending				

Source: Indiana Economic Development Corporation, January 2010.

Review and Recertification

CTPs are subject to the review of the IEDC and must be recertified every four years. A CTP must provide the following information for purposes of the review:

- (1) Total employment and payroll levels for all businesses operating within the CTP.
- (2) The nature and extent of any technology transfer activity occurring within the CTP.
- (3) The nature and extent of any nontechnology businesses operating within the CTP.
- (4) The use and outcomes of any state money made available to the CTP.
- (5) An analysis of the CTP's overall contribution to the technology-based economy in Indiana.

The IEDC may terminate or rescind the designation of an area as a CTP if the local redevelopment commission or the legislative body of the local unit that established the redevelopment commission does not comply with the terms of the agreement made with the IEDC.

Sales and Income Tax Capture by CTPs

CTPs are authorized to capture incremental revenue from Sales Tax, state Income Tax, and local option income taxes generated in the CTP. While there is no annual incremental revenue capture limit for CTPs, there is a lifetime capture limit applicable to CTPs. The maximum amount of incremental Sales Tax, state Income Tax, and local option income tax revenue that a CTP may capture during its lifetime is \$5 M. Captured revenue from each CTP is deposited in the CTP's incremental tax financing fund administered by the Treasurer of State. The captured revenue is transferred from these funds to the CTP funds established by the local redevelopment commissions. Table 2 reports the Sales Tax, state Income Tax, and local option income tax revenue captured by each CTP since the incipience of the program.

Table 2: Revenue Captured by Certified Technology Parks, FY 2003-2009.

	State Fiscal Year									
Location	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Total		
Anderson	-	52,626	599,144	328,843	506,291	-	-	1,486,904		
Bloomington	-	-	5,283	48,600	117,921	213,615	873,912	1,259,331		
Columbus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0		
Crown Point	-	-	-	-	128,735	433,560	411,270	973,565		
Evansville	-	1,519,964	1,582,514	1,588,978	308,544	-	-	5,000,000		
Fort Wayne	-	-	-	207,380	331,557	337,376	318,133	1,194,446		
Hammond	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0		
Indianapolis (Downtown)	-	4,884,633	115,367	-	-	-	-	5,000,000		
Indianapolis (InTech)	-	-	455,604	162,869	-	-	-	618,473		
Jeffersonville	-	-	141,461	164,622	378,612	493,543	608,894	1,787,132		
Kokomo	-	-	39,420	66,768	96,214	191,001	260,622	654,025		
Muncie	-	26,502	282,118	443,928	963,462	483,923	174,877	2,374,810		
Richmond	-	-	-	423,824	814,935	943,528	1,575,540	3,757,827		
Scottsburg	-	461,531	424,506	442,407	522,962	698,822	1,061,055	3,611,283		
Shelbyville	-	-	14,163	233,363	251,095	206,952	366,067	1,071,640		
South Bend	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0		
Terre Haute	-	-	862,098	418,517	487,649	-	-	1,768,264		
West Gate at Crane Naval Warfare Center	-	-	-	-	51,393	131,793	1,362,922	1,546,108		
West Lafayette	156,875	270,569	675,961	924,581	1,058,963	1,118,926	794,125	5,000,000		
TOTAL	156,875	7,215,825	5,197,639	5,454,680	6,018,333	5,253,039	7,807,417	37,103,808		

Source: Indiana Department of State Revenue.

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